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Ranking of Higher Education Institutions
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has ranked various universities, institutes and colleges in the country based on the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) and if so, the details thereof and the main features along with the list of ranking of colleges/universities;
(b) whether the Ministry would like to conduct independent evaluation of those institutions and universities who are coming within the first hundred and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to apply this scheme on the primary and secondary schools along with the time by which it is likely to be implemented;
(c) the criteria adopted for finalizing the performance of various institutions in this regard and the priority of research in the NIRF surveys;
(d) whether it has classified and done overall ranking of private Engineering Institutes across the country and if so, the details thereof;
(e) whether the Government has received objections from the various universities, institutes and colleges regarding their ranking and the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto; and
(f) whether the Government has decided to revisit its decision, if so, the details thereof and the action taken to promote quality education and research in Central Universities?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a): Yes, Madam. The Ministry has ranked top 100 Universities, 100 Engineering, 50 Management and 50 Pharmacy colleges in the country based on National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF). The details of these are available at NIRF website https://www.nirfindia.org/Ranking.

(b): No, Madam. No proposal to conduct independent evaluation of these institutions and universities and to apply this scheme on the primary and secondary schools is under consideration of the Ministry.

(c): The criteria adopted for finalizing the performance of various institutions are as follows:
i) Teaching, Learning and Resources
ii) Research and Professional Practices
iii) Graduation Outcomes
iv) Outreach and Inclusivity
v) Perception

(d): Yes, Madam. The Engineering Institutes have been classified into two categories namely Research & Teaching and Teaching and the ranking has been carried out for the institutions who have applied under the category of Research and Teaching. The details of these are available at NIRF website https://www.nirfindia.org/Ranking.

(e) & (f): Yes, Madam. The Governments has received constructive inputs and suggestions from various stakeholders regarding the overall ranking and the same are being considered by the Ministry to improve the ranking system. The scope of NIRF will be widened to promote quality education and research in institutions in the country.

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